

State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Drinking Water

October 29, 2014
System No.: 5403119

Mr. Trey Burrows, EHS Manager
Ventural Coastal LLC – Tipton
531 Poplar Avenue
Tipton, CA 93272

RE: Citation No. 03-24-14C-005
Violation of Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 64426.1
For June, July, August, & September 2014

Dear Mr. Burrows:

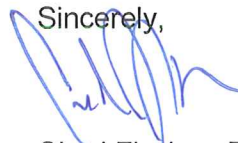
Enclosed is a Citation issued to the Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton (Water System) public water system.

The Water System will be billed at the Division's hourly rate (currently estimated at \$126.00) for the time spent on issuing this Citation. The California Health and Safety Code Section 116577 provides that a public water system must reimburse the Division for actual costs incurred by the Division for specific enforcement actions, including but not limited to, preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation. At this time, the Division has spent approximately one and one half hours on enforcement activities associated with this violation.

The Water System will receive a bill sent from the Division of Drinking Water Fee Billing Unit in August of the next fiscal year. This bill will contain fees for any enforcement time spent on Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton water system for the current fiscal year.

If you have any questions regarding this letter and the enclosed citation, please contact the Tulare District office at (559) 447-3300.

Sincerely,



Chad Fischer, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tulare District
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

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Enclosures
cc: Tulare County Environmental Health Services Division

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER**

IN RE: **VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON**
Water System No. 5403119

TO: Mr. Trey Burrows, EHS Manager
Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton
531 Poplar Avenue
Tipton, CA 93272

CC: Tulare County Environmental Health Services Department

**CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTIONS 64426.1
June, July, August, and September 2014**

Issued on October 29, 2014

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton (hereinafter "Water System") (531 Poplar Ave, Tipton, CA 93272) for violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1. and 64424.

APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES

1 The applicable statutes and regulations are provided in Appendix A, attached hereto and
2 incorporated by reference.
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STATEMENT OF FACTS

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5 The Water System is a nontransient noncommunity water system serving a population of
6 approximately 75 persons through six service connections. Effective July 1, 2014
7 regulatory oversight for this water system was transferred to the Division from the Tulare
8 County Department of Environmental Health. The Water System currently operates under
9 a water supply permit issued by the Tulare County Department of Environmental Health on
10 April 17, 2012.
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13 The Water System is required to collect a minimum of one distribution system
14 bacteriological samples per month. The bacteriological water analysis results submitted by
15 the Water System reported the presence of total coliform bacteria in three of 11 samples
16 collected by the Water System in June 2014. None of the positive samples showed the
17 presence of fecal coliform or *E. coli* bacteria.
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19 Upon being informed of the presence of total coliform bacteria in the routine sample
20 collected on June 16, 2014, Water System staff collected a total of four repeat samples on
21 June 18, 2014. Three of the repeat samples showed the presence of total coliform
22 bacteria. The Water System flushed the distribution system before collecting four
23 additional repeat samples on June 24, 2014. All additional repeat samples were negative
24 for total coliform bacteria and *E. coli* bacteria.
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26 The five routine samples required the month following a month with one or more total
27 coliform positive samples were collected on July 22, 2014. All five samples were positive
for total coliform bacteria. Water System staff collected a total of four repeat samples on

1 July 24, 2014. The four repeat samples were negative for total coliform bacteria and *E. coli*
2 bacteria.

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4 The five routine samples collected on August 25, 2014 had one sample result show the
5 presence of total coliform bacteria. Water system staff collected five repeat samples on
6 August 28, 2014. The analytical results reported concentrations of 1.0 MPN/100mL for total
7 coliform bacteria in three of the five repeat samples.

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9 The five routine samples collected on September 25, 2014 had one sample result show the
10 presence of total coliform bacteria. Water system staff collected five repeat samples on
11 September 29, 2014. The analytical results reported concentrations of 1.0 MPN/100mL for
12 total coliform bacteria in two of the five repeat samples. All distribution water samples for
13 coliform bacteria collected for the past twelve months are summarized in Attachment B.

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15 The cause of the failure is inconclusive based on the investigation conducted by the Water
16 System's staff (see Attachment A). The Water System does not provide continuous
17 disinfection of the distribution system. The analytical results for the well that was online in
18 the month of June 2014, showed the presence of total coliform bacteria. Follow up
19 sampling from the well was conducted on June 24, 2014, and the concentrations reported
20 were absent for both total coliform bacteria and *E. coli* bacteria. The analytical results for
21 the well that was online during the months of July and August were abstent for both total
22 coliform bacteria and *E. coli* bacteria. The analytical results for the well that was online
23 during September reported concentrations of <1.0 MPN/100mL. All source water samples
24 for coliform bacteria collected for the past twelve months are summarized in Attachment C.

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26 The Groundwater Rule (GWR) requires the collection of a sample for bacteriological
27 evaluation from the well(s) serving the system in response to a coliform positive distribution
sample within 24 hours of being notified of the coliform positive result. Based on data

submitted to the Division, the Water System did collect their raw water well samples in a timely manner in follow up to the total coliform positive routine samples collected on June 16, July 22, August 25, and September 25, 2014.

Public notification to the Division and consumers of a water system is required whenever a violation of the Total Coliform MCL occurs. Notification to the Division is required by the end of the business day on which the violation has been determined. If the Division is closed, notification shall be within 24 hours of the determination. The Division was not notified of the June violation. However, the Division was notified in a timely manner for the July, August, and September violations.

Public notification to the consumers of the Water System was conducted on June 27, July 28, August 29, and October 2, 2014 advising each customer of the failure of the total coliform MCL during the months of June, July, August and September 2014. A copy of the notices that were posted is provided as Attachment D. Proof of Notification is provided as Attachment E.

DETERMINATION

Title 22, CCR, Section 64426.1, Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) provides that a public water system that collects fewer than 40 bacteriological samples per month has violated the regulation if more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive.

The Division has determined that the Water System failed to comply with Title 22, CCR, Section 64426.1, Total Coliform MCL for the months of June, July, August, and September 2014 due to the presence of total coliform bacteria in three of nine samples collected in June, five of nine samples collected in July, four of nine samples collected in August, and three of ten samples collected in September 2014.

1 The Division has also determined that the Water System failed to comply with Title 22,
2 CCR, Section 64426.1(c) which requires a public water system to notify the Division and
3 the consumers of the water system, when a violation of Section 64426.1(b)(1) through (4)
4 the total coliform MCL occurs. Notification to the Division is required by the end of the
5 business day on which the violation has been determined. If the Division is closed,
6 notification shall be within 24 hours of the determination.
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8 DIRECTIVES

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10 The Water System is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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12 1. Comply with Title 22, CCR, Section 64426.1, in all future monitoring periods.
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- 14 2. The Water System shall collect repeat samples as required by Section 64424 and
15 as discussed in this Citation whenever a routine sample is positive for total coliform
16 bacteria.
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- 18 3. Whenever the Water System has one or more total coliform positive samples in a
19 given month, at least five routine samples shall be collected the following month as
20 required by Section 64424(d) and as discussed in this Citation.
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- 22 4. The Water System shall notify the Division of any further violations of the total
23 coliform MCL by the end of the business day on which the violation has been
24 determined, or, if the Division is closed, within 24 hours of the determination.
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- 26 6. If any samples collected from the wells are total coliform positive, the Water System
27 shall contact the Division immediately. Continuous chlorination of the water
produced by the wells may be required at that time.

1 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to the Citation as it may deem
2 necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as
3 amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.
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6 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Water System of its obligation to meet the requirements
7 of the California Safe Drinking Water Act or any regulation, standard, permit or order
8 issued thereunder.
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10 All submittal required by this Citation shall be submitted to the Division at the following
11 address:

12 Chad Fischer, P.E.
13 Senior Sanitary Engineer
14 State Water Resources Control Board
15 Division of Drinking Water
16 265 W. Bullard Avenue, Suite 101
17 Fresno, CA 93704

18 **PARTIES BOUND**

19 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton, its
20 officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.
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22 **SEVERABILITY**

23 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Water System shall comply with each
24 and every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any provision.
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26 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

27 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of
administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the
requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation or order issued or adopted

1 thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or
2 compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to take action to
3 suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the system
4 has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the
5 Board; and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a
6 public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the Board. The Board does
7 not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

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11 10/29/14

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13 Date

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13 Chad Fischer, P.E.
14 Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tulare District
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS BRANCH

15 **CJF/TS**

16 **Attachments:**

- 17 Attachment A: Positive Total Coliform Investigation report
18 Attachment B: Summary of Distribution Bacteriological Samples from August 2013 to August
2014
19 Attachment C: Summary of Source Bacteriological Samples from August 2013 to August 2014
Attachment D: Public Notices for June, July, August 2014
Attachment E: Proof of Notification Form

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APPENDIX A

Applicable Statutes and Regulations for Citation No. 03-24-14C-005

Section 116650 of the CHSC states in relevant part:

§116650. Citations

- (a) If the Division determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the Division may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.
- (b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.
- (c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.
- (d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).
- (e) The Division may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

Section 64424 of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:

§64424. Repeat Sampling.

- (a) If a routine sample is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall collect a repeat sample set as described in paragraph (a)(1) within 24 hours of being notified of the positive result. The repeat samples shall all be collected within the same 24 hour time period. A single service connection system may request that the Division allow the collection of the repeat sample set over a four-day period.
 - (1) For a water supplier that normally collects more than one routine sample a month, a repeat sample set shall be at least three samples for each total coliform-positive sample. For a water supplier that normally collects one or fewer samples per month, a repeat sample set shall be at least four samples for each total coliform-positive sample.
 - (2) If the water supplier is unable to collect the samples within the 24-hour time period specified in subsection (a) or deliver the samples to the laboratory within 24 hours after collection because of circumstances beyond its control, the water supplier shall notify the Department within 24 hours. The Department will then determine how much time the supplier will have to collect the repeat samples.
- (b) When collecting the repeat sample set, the water supplier shall collect at least one repeat sample from the sampling tap where the original total coliform-positive sample was taken. Other repeat samples shall be collected within five service connections upstream or downstream of the original site. At least one sample shall be from upstream and one from downstream unless there is no upstream and/or downstream service connection.
- (c) If one or more samples in the repeat sample set is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall collect and have analyzed an additional set of repeat samples as

- specified in subsections (a) and (b). The supplier shall repeat this process until either no coliforms are detected in one complete repeat sample set or the supplier determines that the MCL for total coliforms specified in §64426.1 has been exceeded and notifies the Department.
- (d) If a public water system for which fewer than five routine samples/month are collected has one or more total coliform-positive samples, the water supplier shall collect at least five routine samples the following month. If the supplier stops supplying water during the month after the total coliform-positive(s), at least five samples shall be collected during the first month the system resumes operation. A water supplier may request the Department waive the requirement to collect at least five routine samples the following month, but a waiver will not be granted solely on the basis that all repeat samples are total coliform-negative. To request a waiver, one of the following conditions shall be met:
- (1) The Department conducts a site visit before the end of the next month the system provides water to the public to determine whether additional monitoring and/or corrective action is necessary to protect public health.
 - (2) The Department determines why the sample was total coliform-positive and establishes that the system has corrected the problem or will correct the problem before the end of the next month the system serves water to the public. If a waiver is granted, a system shall collect at least one routine sample before the end of the next month it serves water to the public and use it to determine compliance with §64426.1.

Section 64426.1 of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:
§64426.1. Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL).

- (a) Results of all samples collected in a calendar month pursuant to Sections 64423, 64424, and 64425 that are not invalidated by the Department or the laboratory shall be included in determining compliance with the total coliform MCL. Special purpose samples such as those listed in §64421(b) and samples collected by the water supplier during special investigations shall not be used to determine compliance with the total coliform MCL.
- (b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL when any of the following occurs:
- (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during any month are total coliform-positive; or
 - (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive; or
 - (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive; or
 - (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.
- (c) If a public water system is not in compliance with paragraphs (b)(1) through (4), during any month in which it supplies water to the public, the water supplier shall notify the Department by the end of the business day on which this is determined, unless the determination occurs after the Department office is closed, in which case the supplier shall notify the Department within 24 hours of the determination. The water supplier shall also notify the consumers served by the water system. A Tier 2 Public Notice shall be given for violations of paragraphs (b)(1) or (2), pursuant to section 64463.4. A Tier 1 Public Notice shall be given for violations of paragraphs (b)(3) or (4), pursuant to section 64463.1.

POSITIVE TOTAL COLIFORM INVESTIGATION

Simple Well with Pressure Tank Systems

This form is intended to assist public water systems in completing the investigation required by the Division of Drinking Water (Section 64426(b) of Title 22, California Code of Regulations) and may be modified to take into account conditions unique to the system.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

PWS Name:	Ventura Coastal - Tipton	PWSID NUMBER:	5403119
	Name	Address	Telephone #
Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC)	Trey Burrows	12310 Ave 368, Visalia, CA	559-302-4414
Person that collected TC samples if different than ORC	FGL Labs Technicians	Santa Paula, CA	805-392-2000
Owner	Ventura Coastal	2325 Vista Del Mar, Ventura, CA	805-653-7000
Certified Laboratory for Microbiological Analyses	FGL Labs Technicians	Santa Paula, CA	805-392-2000
Date Investigation Completed:	9/4/14		
Month(s) of Total Coliform MCL Failure:	June July August 2014		

INVESTIGATION DETAILS

SOURCE	WELL (name)	WELL (name)	WELL (name)	WELL (name)	COMMENTS
	5				
1. Inspect each well head for physical defects and report					
a. Is raw water sample tap upstream from point of disinfection?	X				We don't perform disinfection
b. Is wellhead vent pipe screened?	X				Yes
c. Is wellhead seal watertight?	X				Yes
d. Is well head located in pit or is any piping from the wellhead submerged?	X				No
e. Does the ground surface slope towards well head?	X				No
f. Is there evidence of standing water near the wellhead?	X				No
g. Are there any connections to the raw water piping that could be cross connections? (describe all connections in comments)	X				No
h. Is the wellhead secured to prevent unauthorized access?	X				Yes
i. To what treatment plant (name) does this well pump?	X				n/a
j. How often do you take a raw water total coliform (TC) test?	X				Monthly
k. Provide the date and result of the last TC test at this location	X				8/28/14

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

SYSTEM RESPONSES

1. What is the minimum pressure you are maintaining in the distribution system?	70psi
2. Did pressure in the distribution system drop to less than 5 psi prior to experiencing the TCR positive finding.	No
3. Has the distribution system been worked on within the last week? (service taps,	No

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POSITIVE TOTAL COLIFORM INVESTIGATION

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GENERAL OPERATIONS:		Response
1. Where there any power outages that affected water system facilities during the 30 days prior to the TC+ or EC + findings?		No
2. Where there any main breaks, water outages, or low pressure reported in the service area where TC+ or EC+ samples were located.		Yes. The plant shut down production early in July. The amount of water used for the plant significantly dropped.
3. Does the system have backup power or elevated storage?		Yes <u>No</u>
4. During or soon after bacteriological quality problems, did you receive any complaints of any customers' illness suspected of being waterborne? How many?		No
5. What were the symptoms of illness if you received complaints about customers being sick?		n/a

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED WITH RESPONSES TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS

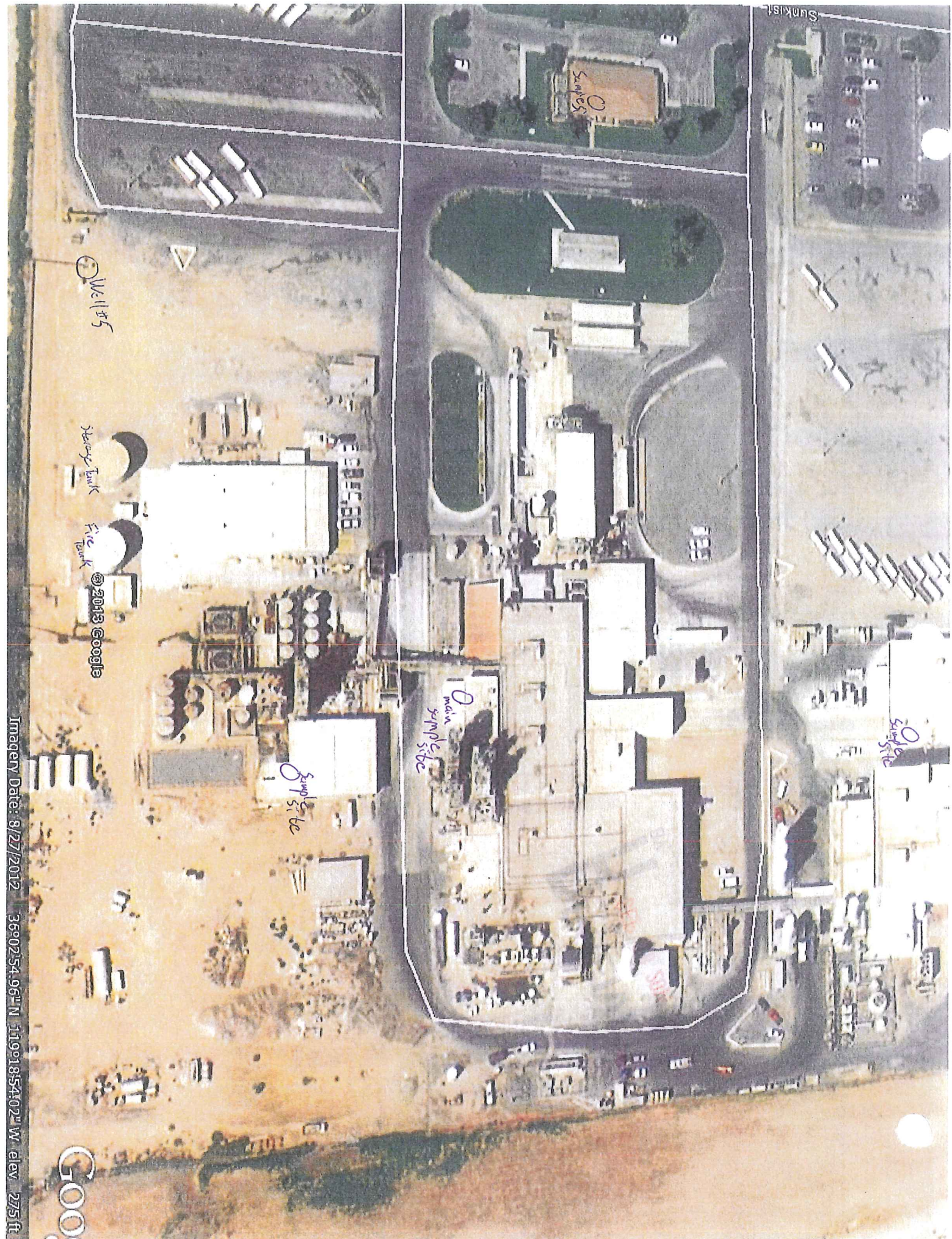
1. **Sketch** of System showing all sources, treatment locations, storage tanks, microbiological sampling sites and general layout of the distribution system including the location of all hazardous connections such as the wastewater treatment facility.
2. A set of photographs of the well, pressure tanks, and storage tanks in the system may be submitted if they would show that the contamination is directly related and changes have been made since the last inspection by our Department
3. Name, certification level and certificate number of the Operator in Responsible Charge.
4. Copy of the last cross connection survey performed that identifies the location of all unprotected cross connections.

SUMMARY: BASED ON THE RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION AT YOUR DISPOSAL, WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE TO BE THE CAUSE OF THE POSITIVE TOTAL COLIFORM SAMPLES FROM YOUR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM?

We believe the initial positive test in June was caused by some construction near the well, but in July and August we believe it was due to the plant being inactive with very little water flow as compared to our production months. We are meeting with an outside consultant on 9/5/14 to conduct further investigation.

CERTIFICATION: I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE QUESTIONS ABOVE IS ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE

NAME: Trey Burrows (D1, 39501) TITLE: EHS Manager DATE: 9/4/14



VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON**5403119****Distribution System Freq: M****Chlorinator: Y****Collected by: Cody Needham**

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>T Coli</i>	<i>E Coli</i>	<i>F Coli</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Cl2</i>	<i>Violation</i>	<i>Comment</i>
6/11/2013	14:50	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
7/10/2013	11:30	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
8/21/2013	10:33	Breakroom Faucet	P	A		Routine			
8/23/2013	10:15	Admin Office - Coffee Room	A	A		Repeat			Repeat 1 of 4
8/23/2013	10:21	Breakroom Faucet	A	A		Repeat			Repeat 2 of 4
8/23/2013	10:29	COP Bathroom Sink	A	A		Repeat			Repeat 3 of 4
8/23/2013	10:50	Well	<1.0		<1.0	Repeat			Repeat 4 of 4
9/19/2013	13:50	Break Room Faucet	P	A		Routine			Routine sample 1 of 5.
9/19/2013	13:55	Locker Room	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 2 of 5.
9/19/2013	14:05	Lab Sink	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 3 of 5.
9/19/2013	14:10	Lunch Room	P	A		Routine		MCL	Routine sample 4 of 5. T/C to system re: MCL violation. Emailed PN/PoN and Questionnaire, and need for 5 Routines in October 2013.
9/19/2013	14:20	COP	P	A		Routine			Routine sample 5 of 5.
9/24/2013	13:50	Office Breakroom	A	A		Repeat			Repeat sample 1 of 4.
9/24/2013	14:00	Well	<1.0		<1.0	Repeat			Repeat sample 2 of 4
9/24/2013	14:05	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Repeat			Repeat sample 3 of 4.
9/24/2013	14:20	COP Bathroom Sink	A	A		Repeat			Repeat sample 4 of 4.
10/10/2013	10:55	Office Sink	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 1 of 5
10/10/2013	11:05	Lab Sink	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 2 of 5
10/10/2013	11:15	COP Sink	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 3 of 5
10/10/2013	11:30	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 4 of 5
10/29/2013	16:20	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			Routine sample 5 of 5
11/22/2013	14:50	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
12/13/2013	13:50	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
1/8/2014	12:25	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
2/21/2014	10:45	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
3/12/2014	14:20	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			
4/25/2014	13:20	Break Room Faucet	A	A		Routine			

Bacteriological Distribution Monitoring Report

5403119 Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton

Distribution System Freq: 1/M

Sample Date	Location	T Coli	E Coli	F Coli	HPC	Type	Cl2	Cl2 Avg	Viol. Type	GWR Satisfied?	Comments
9/29/2014	COP Bathroom Sink	1	<1.0			Repeat			MCL	Yes	
9/29/2014	Production Breakroom	1	<1.0			Repeat					
9/29/2014	Surge Tank	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
9/29/2014	Well 05	<1.0	<1.0			Source Repeat					
9/29/2014	Admin Break Room	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
9/25/2014	Well Head	<1.0	<1.0			Routine					
9/25/2014	Surge Tank	<1.0	<1.0			Routine					
9/25/2014	Production Break	<1.0	<1.0			Routine					
9/25/2014	COP Bathroom Sink	<1.0	<1.0			Routine					
9/25/2014	Admin Break Room	1	<1.0			Routine					
8/28/2014	Feed Mill	A	A			Repeat					
8/28/2014	Lab Sink	P	A			Repeat			MCL		Citation 03-24-14C-006 June - August 2014
8/28/2014	COP Bathroom Sink	P	A			Repeat					
8/28/2014	Admin Bathroom	P	A			Repeat					
8/25/2014	Feed Mill	A	A			Routine					
8/25/2014	Break Room Faucet	A	A			Routine					
8/25/2014	Lab Sink	A	A			Routine					
8/25/2014	COP Bathroom Sink	A	A			Routine					
8/25/2014	Break Room Faucet	P	A			Routine					
7/24/2014	Admin Break Room	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
7/24/2014	Break Room Faucet	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
7/24/2014	Feed Mill	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
7/24/2014	COP Bathroom Sink	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
7/22/2014	Admin Office Sink	P	A			Routine				Yes	
7/22/2014	Break Room faucet	P	A			Routine					
7/22/2014	Caustic Recovery Tank	P	A			Routine			MCL		Citation 03-24-14C-006 June - August 2014
7/22/2014	Cold Storage Building	P	A			Routine					
7/22/2014	Lab	P	A			Routine					
6/24/2014	Feed mill	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
6/24/2014	Break Room faucet	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
6/24/2014	Admin Break Room	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
6/24/2014	COP Bathroom sink	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
6/18/2014	Admin break room	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
6/18/2014	Feed mill restroom	1	<1.0			Repeat			MCL		Citation 03-24-14C-006 June - August 2014
6/18/2014	Break Room	2	<1.0			Repeat					
6/18/2014	COP Restroom	2	<1.0			Repeat					
6/16/2014	Break room faucet	P	A			Routine				Yes	

Violation Key

MCL	Exceeds the maximum contaminant level	MR5	Incorrect number of repeat samples as follow-up to a positive sample
MR1	No monthly sample for the report month	MR6	No source sample
MR2	No quarterly sample for the report month	MR7	No summary report submitted
MR3	Incorrect number of routine samples for the report month	MR8	Other comments and/or info
MR4	Did not collect 5 routine samples for previous month's positive sample	MR9	Cl2 not reported

VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON

5403119***Source Monitoring Freq:***

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Source</i>	<i>T Coli</i>	<i>E Coli</i>	<i>F Coli</i>	<i>Violation</i>	<i>Comment</i>
10/10/2013	11:40	Well	<1.0		<1.0		
10/17/2013	15:45	Well #4	2		<1.0		

Source Bacteriological Monitoring Report

5403119 *Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton*

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Source</i>	<i>Sample Type</i>	<i>Test Method</i>	<i>T Coli</i>	<i>E Coli</i>	<i>F Coli</i>	<i>HPC</i>	<i>Violation</i>	<i>Comments</i>
9/25/2014	11:14	Well Head	GWR Well	MPN	<1.0	<1.0				
8/28/2014	11:03	Domestic Well	GWR Well	MPN	<1.0	<1.0				
7/24/2014	10:00	Wellhead #5	GWR Well	MPN	<1.0	<1.0				
6/24/2014	1:00	Well Head	GWR Well	MPN	<1.0	<1.0				
6/18/2014	1:40	Well	GWR Well	MPN	2	<1.0				

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON

Levels of Coliform Bacteria

Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently failed a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as users of the water system, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We collected **eleven (11)** samples to test for the presence of coliform bacteria in **June 2014**. Of these, **five (5)** showed the **presence of total coliform bacteria**. The standard is that no more than **one (1)** sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing.**
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

Construction activities occurred near the well and tank storage area and we believe this caused an issue with our water system that resulted in the positive test. The construction was completed and we cleaned out the filters in our system as a result of the positive tests. When we retested our water system, there was no presence of coliform.

For more information, please contact Trey Burrows at **(559) 302-4414**.

This notice is being sent to you by: **Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton**

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VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON

Levels of Coliform Bacteria

Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently failed a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as users of the water system, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We collected **ten (10)** samples to test for the presence of coliform bacteria in **July 2014**. Of these, **five (5)** showed the **presence of total coliform bacteria**. The standard is that no more than **one (1)** sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing.**
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

We continue to investigate and test our water system to determine the source of the positive tests. Our onsite lab is testing every 2 weeks and the tests have returned absent for coliform. For July, the initial tests were all present (5 out of 5), but on the retest, all tests (5 out of 5) were absent. We will continue to test our system every two weeks until further notice to ensure the safety of our water.

For more information, please contact Trey Burrows at **(559) 302-4414**.

This notice is being sent to you by: **Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton**

Date distributed: 7/28/14



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VENTURA COASTAL LLC - TIPTON

Levels of Coliform Bacteria

Above the Drinking Water Standard

Our water system recently failed a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as users of the water system, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We collected **ten (10)** samples to test for the presence of coliform bacteria in **August 2014**. Of these, **four (4)** showed the **presence of total coliform bacteria**. The standard is that no more than **one (1)** sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing.**
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

We continue to investigate and test our water system to determine the source of the positive tests. Our onsite lab is testing every 2 weeks and the tests have returned absent for coliform. The belief is that with the plant not in operation, there is some standing water possibly causing the positive tests. We will be meeting with an outside consultant to help us determine the source.

For more information, please contact Trey Burrows at (559) 302-4414.

This notice is being sent to you by: **Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton**

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**Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton Has Levels of Coliform Bacteria
Above the Drinking Water Standard**

Our water system recently failed a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We took 12 sample(s) to test for the presence of coliform bacteria in September 2014. 3 of these samples showed the presence of total coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than 1 sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present.
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

We believe the causes of the positive tests are due to the low volumes of water flowing in the plant and a leak we discovered in our surge tank. We continue to monitor the water for positive results and have repaired the leak in the surge tank. We anticipate resolving the problem within 30 days.

For more information, please contact Trey Burrows at 559-302-4414 or at the following mailing address: 531 W. Poplar Ave, Tipton, CA 93272.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by 5403119.

Date distributed: 10/2/14.

PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

(Return with copy of the Notice)

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I notified all users of water supplied by the **Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton** of the failure to meet the **total coliform bacteria MCL** for the months of **June, July and August 2014** as directed by the Division. At least one primary distribution method is required: mail, hand-delivery or posting in conspicuous locations. A second method is also required in order to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing, direct delivery or posting:

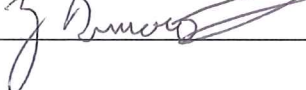
Notification was made on 6/27/14, 7/28/14 & 8/29/14
(date)

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please check all items below that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- ☐ The notice was distributed by mail delivery to each customer served by the water system.
- ☐ The notice was distributed by direct delivery to each customer served by the water system. Specify direct delivery method(s) used: _____
- ☐ Publication of the notice in a local newspaper or newsletter of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published).
- ☒ Posted the notice at the following conspicuous locations served by the water system (if needed, please attach a list of locations). _____
- ☐ Email message to employees or students. _____
- ☐ Other method used to notify customers. _____

DISCLOSURE: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

Certified by Name and Title: Trey Burrows, EHS Manager

Date: 9/3/14 Signature: 

Due to the Division of Drinking Water within 10 days of notification to the public
Total Coliform MCL Failure / Enforcement Action No.: In progress



PROOF OF NOTIFICATION
(Return with copy of the Notice)

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I notified all users of water supplied by the **Ventura Coastal LLC - Tipton** of the failure to meet the **total coliform bacteria MCL** for the months of **September 2014** as directed by the Division. At least one primary distribution method is required: mail, hand-delivery or posting in conspicuous locations. A second method is also required in order to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing, direct delivery or posting:

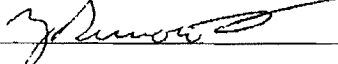
Notification was made on 10/2/14
(date)

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please check all items below that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- ☐ The notice was distributed by mail delivery to each customer served by the water system.
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- ☐ Publication of the notice in a local newspaper or newsletter of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published).
- ☒ Posted the notice at the following conspicuous locations served by the water system (if needed, please attach a list of locations). Admin Building
- ☐ Email message to employees or students. _____
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Certified by Name and Title: Trey Burrows, EHS Manager

Date: 10/2/14 Signature: 

Due to the Division of Drinking Water within 10 days of notification to the public
Total Coliform MCL Failure / Enforcement Action No.: In progress